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Dear Sid,

Thanks for the Times clipping. I dont see it very often and this is valuable knowledge for a different reason. It convinces me I have taken the only possible approach. Some of the things I have discovered are gradually being discovered by others. But no one has woven the ends together or taken the time and trouble to find the necessary substantiation for each item. For example, the Liberation piece had two of the medical photographs from the volumes (not the real medical photographs, which were suppressed). There is no reference to the substantiation that does exist (I referred to about five items) and no reference to the suppression of the pictures which would prove or disprove, no reference to the pressure on the doctors of the alteration of the autopsy. Without such reinforcement, people, at least in this country, are not going to believe what really did happen.

That is why I restricted myself to certain things, so I gould do them exhaustively, and ignored others I would have like to have included.

I have as of now (Wednesday 4:20 p.m.) heard nothing from Ivan whose secretary I asked a week ago to give me an approximate idea of when. My answer also is unanswered. I do, however, have a complete copy of the draft now to show another if it becomes necessary. Between this work and the worry Lil is ill again. I guess this kind of business if too strange to us.

The vagaries of our mail are such that if I dont mail this in Washington tomorrow, it will be two days before it leaves! I'm expecting to go there for a nutrition conference where I meet old friends.

It has now been two weeks since Ivan began by saying "overnight" and I am more concerned. I'm sitting quietly and patiently as you said, but the possibilities of the ruin of something that should have been valuable and worthwhile are the thoughts in my mind each morning when I awaken several hours before I should. If your instinctive belief of pressure was correct, as I think quite possible, could not a long delay be part of the same ploy?

If you haven't read "Dick Daring" perhaps the enclosed condensation will interest you. Please give our regards to everyone. I have found some more pictures and have added them to the packed bag for John and Cathy. Right now I believe there is enough in it for a full, long evening.

Please let me know how much longer you think I should wait.

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